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MORGAN'S HOLD-UP
FOR \$9,400,000.**Erie Stockholder Declares
He Got That Amount
from Coal and Railroad
Deal, but Magnate's
Lawyer Says He Only
Cleared the Paltry
Sum of \$2,300,000.**

Richard Pine Coffin, in a suit brought in Supreme Court to-day, accuses J. Pierpont Morgan, the banker, of bad faith in the recent big railroad deals, and charges that he virtually held up the Erie Railway and compelled the directors to buy stock in other properties for \$7,000,000 at a profit to Morgan himself of \$9,400,000.

Mr. Coffin, who is the owner of 100 shares of Erie stock, asks Justice Fitzgerald to perpetually enjoin the Erie Railroad directors from consummating an agreement with Mr. Morgan to buy the Pennsylvania Coal Company, the Erie and Wyoming Valley Railroad and the Delaware Valley and Kingston Railroad.

"Mr. Morgan," Mr. O'Neill said, "took no chance in the matter. It was always with him a matter of 'heads I win and tails you lose.' He stands down there in Wall street, elects his own directors and then requests his directors to meet and do something. He goes out and purchases valuable property and sells it back to his own directors at a personal profit. Of course there will be no opposition on their part, as they are controlled by him."

Francis Lynde Stetson presented an affidavit by ex-Mayor A. B. Hewitt in which he stated that he is one of the directors of the Erie Railroad; that the scheme for the purchase of the coal field and railroads originated with the directors, and not with Mr. J. P. Morgan, and was, as a matter of fact, first suggested by the owner of the Pennsylvania Coal Company, and that \$7,000,000 was a fair and reasonable price for the properties.

Counsel said that the Erie Railroad Company had not the money to buy the properties and that Mr. Morgan was consulted in the matter and raised the funds to make the purchase. Mr. Morgan, instead of making anything like \$2,300,000, would only make something like \$2,000,000, which would only represent a profit of 5 per cent., which was not at all unreasonable, considering the importance of the transaction.

Mr. Coffin alleged that Mr. Morgan obtained control of the properties named at a cost of \$27,000,000 while, he says, is a fair valuation. Then, Mr. Coffin alleges, Mr. Morgan induced the Erie directors to agree to take the properties off his hands for \$7,000,000, or an advance of \$9,400,000. This valuation, Mr. Coffin says, is excessive.

The allegations are denied. It is claimed that the profit will not exceed \$2,300,000, which is asserted to be only a fair one.

The defendant denies the allegations and claims that he is not on the list of stockholders, and has, therefore, no standing in court. The answer further alleges that the idea of the purchase of the coal field did not originate with J. P. Morgan & Co., but with the directors of the Erie Railroad Company; that the purchase price of \$7,000,000 was a fair and reasonable price for the properties to be obtained by that company.

Justice Fitzgerald reserved decision.

BANKERS ENTER A PROTEST.

**Delegation Talks Against Bill Taxing
Savings Capital.**

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—The joint committee on taxation of Senate and Assembly this afternoon gave a hearing in the Senate Chamber on the bill which places a tax of one per cent. on the surplus of savings banks.

Fully two hundred savings banks of the State were represented, and the speakers protested against the enactment of the proposed law. A delegation from the Savings Banks' Association of New York arrived here to-day and was present at the hearing.

GOULDS GET ANOTHER ROAD.

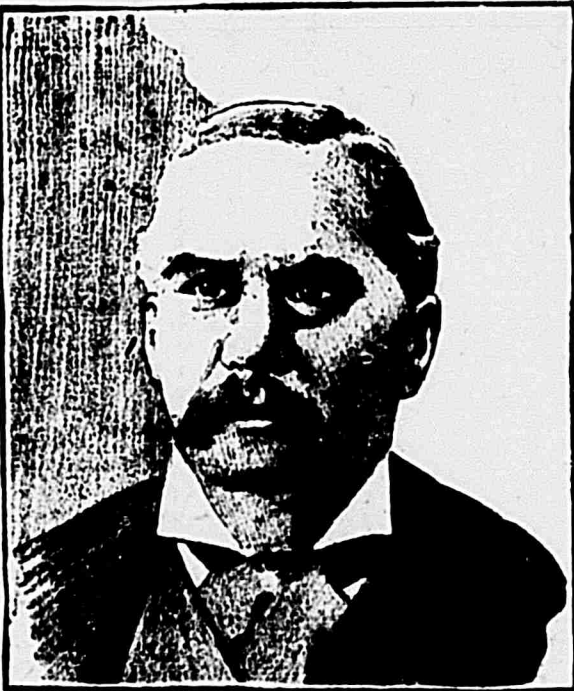
**Missouri, Kansas and Texas Re-
ported Acquired by Them.**

The statement is made without reservation by a Wall street bureau that Gould interests have acquired control of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas road. This statement was not confirmed at the office of the Goulds, but seemed to be generally credited in Wall street.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Fri. day for New York City and vicinity: Fair to-night; snow Friday; fresh brisk north to east winds.

Cafe Boulevard, 24 Ave. & 10th St. again added 10 tables to Art Nouveau Banquet Room, just opened.

BIG FIGHT MAY
BE POSTPONED.**Opposition Endeavor to Keep Injunction
Proceedings Pending Over
Date of Bout.**

(Special to The Evening World.) CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 7.—The big fight may be pulled off in Louisville, according to reports about town this afternoon. The presence of a group of Louisville sporting men in town has led to a persistent circulation and acceptance of this story. Representative E. G. Cooke denied that any such idea has been worked upon, but it is probable that the Louisville people will have to make their proposition, if they have any, to Billy Brady, who will arrive to-morrow.

There is less hope than ever of bringing about a compromise here. The State is prolonging the injunction case, which will probably be sent to the Circuit Court instead of directly to the Supreme Court. This will keep proceedings pending over the 15th, the date set for the fight here.

Should the promoters attempt to hold the fight while the injunction suit is still pending, an excuse for the Governor to send troops here is afforded. The sporting people show no desire to break the law, so a postponement is possible. The promoters from Louisville, it is said, have an assurance that the bout may be held in that city. Negotiations have been pending for some time with the people here to relieve the latter of the affair. If it should prove too cumbersome for them, the matter has been kept under cover, though negotiations have been progressing.

Whether the affair will be transferred to the Kentucky battle-ground will depend largely upon Brady's verdict to-morrow.

He Keeps His Temper and Denies All
Charges Made by Innuendo.

Ex-Judge William M. K. Olcott—Captain Herlihy, I am sorry to have to begin my examination with a personal question, but haven't you a pretty hot temper?

Louis Grant—I object!

Capt. John D. Herlihy (with a snap)—No, sir.

That is the way the resumption of the trial of Capt. Herlihy began this afternoon before Commissioners York, Hess and Abell.

There was a big crowd present, which appeared pleased at the auspicious opening. They were there to have fun, and the first questions promised much in that line.

Capt. Herlihy was smiling and affable when he took his seat, but he became defiance personified when Mr. Olcott faced him. He knew and the crowd knew that Mr. Olcott had carefully prepared his cross-questions with the sole aim of aggravating him to a pitch where his anger would destroy the excellent defense he had set up.

Mr. Olcott resumed:

"Were you guilty of arresting Mr. Kerber and assaulting him on the way to the station?"

"I never did," said Herlihy, angrily.

"Wait a minute and don't answer before I tell you!" Grant shouted to Herlihy. "If you are going to abide by my advice don't answer that question!"

Mr. York told the Captain to answer Mr. Olcott.

"Did you break his mother's arm when she appealed to you?" asked Olcott.

"I did not," replied Herlihy, trying

BARKER TO PLEAD "NOT GUILTY."

WOMEN FIGHT WIFE

MRS. VALENTINE TELLS
OF EX-HUSBAND'S THREAT

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Feb. 7.—In the \$25,000 suit of C. A. Hollister, of Mount Vernon, against R. D. Valentine, of Yonkers, for alienating his wife's affections, Mrs. Valentine testified to-day that Hollister treated her cruelly.

"He threatened to shoot me," she said, "in July 1897, he threatened to shoot me. The impulses of his fingers were left on my throat. Hollister threatened to shoot me if I didn't marry him."

Valentine is now husband of Naomi Hollister, who got a divorce.

TRIED SUICIDE WITH CHLOROFORM.

John Durkin, forty years old, of 548 West One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, attempted suicide this afternoon on the corner of Twenty-third street and Seventh avenue by taking chloroform. It didn't affect him very much and he was taken to the West Thirtieth street station, a prisoner.

AUTOPSY ON MISS GREINER'S BODY.

Coroner's Physician O'Hanlon made an autopsy this afternoon on the body of Kate P. Greiner, the young woman who was found dead in bed at her boarding-house, Dr. O'Hanlon said he found large quantities of carbonic acid in the stomach, which was completely burned out.

NEW ORLEANS WINNERS.

FIFTH RACE—Arlene L. Blue Ridge 2, Lou Wood.
SIXTH RACE—Greengrass 1, Treher 2, Banquo H. 3.

8 KILLED IN WRECK
OF ERIE TRAIN.**Many Persons Injured in Crash at Green-
ville—Frost Caused Accident.**

(Special to The Evening World.) GREENVILLE, Pa., Feb. 7.—The Chicago Vestibule Limited, train No. 5 of the Erie road, which left New York at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, was derailed and wrecked near the village of Amasa, just west of here, at 6 o'clock this morning.

The railroad people here say that the accident was caused by a flange breaking, owing to the frost, the temperature being near zero.

Nine persons were killed and thirty-five injured. Eight bodies have been recovered.

THE DEAD.
PETER J. CURRY, private, Tenth U. S. Infantry.
GEORGE PATTERSON, private, Tenth U. S. Infantry.
J. T. DEVERELL.
HARRY HART, Sergeant, Tenth U. S. Infantry.
UNIDENTIFIED MAN, who had ticket to Rushville, Md.
CLARENCE LEEK, of Summerville, N. J.**UNIDENTIFIED MAN, still in the wreck.**
C. HENRY, baggage-master, of Westville, Pa.**THE INJURED.**
JOSEPH KENNEDY, Brookfield, Mass., private Tenth U. S. Infantry.
G. L. SMITH, Canastota, N. Y.
W. D. MOORE, 32 Lenox Road, Brooklyn, N. Y.

O. H. SIMONS, brakeman, Kent, O.
B. A. MARWEN, Philadelphia, Pa.
CHARLES CARROLL, Elmira, N. Y.

MILTON STANLEY, Newark, N. J.
HARRY WEISBERG, express messenger, Dayton, O.
S. AKIN, en route to Columbus, O.

ONE SOLDIER, Tenth U. S. Infantry.
GARNIE GOLIGURIE, of Carbonate, Pa.
W. F. WIGGINNIE, of Portland, Me.

The firm of Lubling & Beck has a skirt making business at 3 East Eighth street. Henry Lubling lives in Newark.

The first drop from a bottle of BALLANTINE'S INDIA PALE ALE is so clear as the first.

The train was made up of a combination car, postal car and woman's car, and three sleepers. The sleepers were not overturned and their occupants escaped injury.

Since soldiers of the Tenth Infantry, U. S. A., were in the wreck. Three were killed, including the sergeant in charge of the squad, and one was badly injured. The remaining five were unhurt. Dr. A. F. Clark, a company surgeon, was with the soldiers.

The War Department telegraphed orders to take care of the survivors and to turn the remains of the dead over to their families. These soldiers were new recruits and were on their way to San Francisco to await the arrival of the Tenth Infantry, which is under orders for duty in the Philippines.

Delayed by snowdrifts, the train was an hour and a half late. It was running at high speed to make up time. At Greenville, Pa. Grouse is a sharp curve. As the train hit this at top speed the engine jumped the track and carried away with it.

Bumping, jolting, crashing, the heavy car, which was loaded with soldiers, and striking a decelerity they went over on their sides. Only the sleepers remained upright. The wreck of the other cars was complete. Few in these cars escaped injury from flying glass and splinters.

Engineer Luce and his fireman stood bravely at their posts, and when the wrecked car rolled over the engine and crushed in the wreck of the machinery. The conductor was in the baggage car, and was killed. He was killed by the engine. He was killed by the engine. He was killed by the engine.

3 MEN POINT
TO KENNEDY**Witnesses Identify Him as Dolly
Reynolds's Companion at
Grand Hotel.**

DR. KENNEDY'S WIFE.
(From a photograph taken yesterday expressly for The Evening World.)

TESTIMONY GIVES
MRS. KENNEDY HOPE.

The skies are clearing. I am very glad. We have done splendidly so far—MRS. KENNEDY, to an Evening World reporter.

For the third time since his new trial for the murder of Dolly Reynolds began, Dr. Samuel Kennedy was pointed out this afternoon by a witness as the man who was at the Grand Hotel on the evening of the murder. His faithful wife, who sat beside him, paled, but she has expressed herself satisfied with the progress of the trial thus far, despite the fact that new and strong evidence will be presented against her husband.

Justice Furman ruled out the testimony as hearsay and incompetent. Kennedy men cheered.

John C. McCurrie, head waiter at the Grand Hotel for the last sixteen years, testified that on Aug. 15, 1898, he was eating dinner about 3:30 o'clock in the restaurant when a couple passed his table.

Q. Do you see anybody in this court whom you saw on that occasion? A. I do.

"Point him out."

The witness indicated Dr. Kennedy. At this Mrs. Kennedy turned her head and took a careful survey of her husband's face.

Kennedy never moved a muscle, and his wife, satisfied with the scrutiny, turned her attention to the witness.

What the Head Waiter Saw.
McCurrie did not see the couple again. They were going toward the elevator.

Q. When did you next see the woman? A. The next morning.

Q. Where? A. In room 54, dead on the floor.

Q. When did you next see the man? A. I saw him yesterday.

"Did you have any conversation with him?"

"He hailed me and said—"

"I object," said Lawyer Moore, and

**Sentiment Among Fe-
male Members of Rev.
Dr. Keller's Church
Leads to Mass Meeting
in His Favor.**

Women of Arlington and Kearny, N. J., to-day rallied to the support of the Rev. John Keller, who was shot by Thomas G. Barker. They have called a mass-meeting and are actively circulating the call among the church workers and society folks of the little town.

A plea of "not guilty" will be made by Barker, and if the State proves its charge the prisoner will plead justification.

The call, which was issued to-day, reads as follows:

"A meeting of the women of Arlington and Kearny will be held in the Town Hall, Kearny, Friday, at 3.30 P. M., for the purpose of placing ourselves upon record with regard to the sad calamity which has fallen on our community."

A number of women were seen by an Evening World reporter, and some expressed themselves strongly in favor of the pastor and against Mrs. Barker, though many were anxious to defend Mr. Keller without saying anything that would prejudice the case of Mrs. Barker.

"Mr. Keller was a favorite of our family," said Mrs. C. R. Ellis, of 27 Franklin avenue, "because he looked like my son who died. I favor the idea of a mass-meeting."

"The suggestion of a mass-meeting is a good one," said Mrs. George Wilson, of Midland avenue. "I can't go, but I shall send my adopted daughter. The meeting should be largely attended."

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